Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Group Art Unit 2613, Expedited Procedure

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
		:	Examiner: Agustin Bello
ORNAN A. GERSTEL ET AL.)	
		:	Art Unit: 2613
Appln. No.: 09/886,153)	
		:	Confirmation No. 5717
Filed:	June 22, 2001)	
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For:	SHARED OPTICAL RING)	
	PROTECTION IN A MULTI-	:	
	FIBER RING)	July 17, 2008

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION, PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, AND REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FINALITY OF REJECTION

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action of March 17, 2008 to July 17, 2008. A check in the amount of \$120.00 in payment of the extension fee is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the fee in the amount of \$120.00 in payment of the extension fee to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Further, please charge any additional fee and credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account 06-1205.

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2008. In response to that Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.